

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

This action in response to Applicant's amendment filed January 16, 2008. Claims 7-15, 34-42 and 45-53 have been cancelled. Claims 54-55 have been newly added. Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 16, 17, 20, 28-30, 32, 33, 43, 44, 54 and 55 are pending in the present application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Independent claims 1, 16, 20, 28 and 43 are allowed.

In combination with other elements in the claims, the prior art of record does not teach: a remote terminal that receives unprocessed medical imaging data, processing said unprocessed medical imaging data according to preferences and control of an operator at said remote terminal, scan converting said processed image data into pixel image data to form a medical image and displaying said medical image at said remote terminal.

Dependent claims are allowed for depending on allowed claims.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ALINA N. BOUTAH whose telephone number is (571)272-3908. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (9:00 am - 5:00 pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nathan Flynn can be reached on 571-272-1915. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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